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In re Application of

KITA, KOUJI

Serial No.: 09/915,532

Filed: July 27, 2001

For: **IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD,
IMAGE PROCESSING DEVICE,
IMAGE PROCESSING PROGRAM,
AND RECORDING MEDIUM FOR
RECORDING IMAGE PROCESSING
PROGRAM**

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**DECISION ON PETITION
TO ACCEPT COLOR DRAWINGS**

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(b)(2), filed, July 27, 2001 and resubmitted June 15, 2005, requesting acceptance of color drawings.

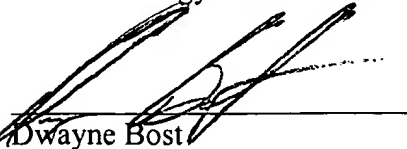
The petition requests that the color drawings identified in figures 5 – 10, be accepted in lieu of black and white drawings.

A grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2) must be accompanied by a fee set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h), 3(three) set of the color drawings in question, and the specification must contain, or be amended to contain, the following language as the first paragraph in that portion of the specification relating to the brief description of the drawings:

"The file of this patent contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent with color drawing(s) will be provided by the Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee."

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Any request for reconsideration must be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this decision and include correction of the deficiency outlined above. The application will be held in the Technology Center for two months to await any request for reconsideration of this decision.



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